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Missouri Office of Homeland Security NIMS Training Recommendations

Following are the Missouri Department of Public Safety, Office of Homeland Security minimum recommended levels of training for National Incident Management System (NIMS) compliance for emergency responders (paid or unpaid) within the state of Missouri regardless of discipline.

The term emergency responder refers to anyone in state or local government, paid or unpaid, that has an active role in the response or recovery phases of an emergency or disaster.

All emergency responders:	FEMA - IS 700 (NIMS an introduction) and either FEMA ICS 100- IS 100 Introduction to Incident Command (ICS) or NFA - I 100 Introduction to the Incident Command System
First line response supervisors:	FEMA ICS 200 or NFA - I 200 Basic ICS: ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents or NWCG- I 100/200 Basic Incident Command System or MUFRTI-NIMS, ICS for the Fire Service
Mid-level response supervisors:	FEMA ICS 300 or NFA-I 300 Intermediate ICS: ICS for Expanding Incidents and Supervisors or NWCG- I 300 Intermediate Incident Command System or MUFRTI-NIMS: Advanced ICS
Senior-level response managers and Executives	FEMA ICS 400 or NFA- I 400 Advanced ICS: ICS for Command and General Staff and Complex Incidents or NWCG- I 400 Advanced Incident Command System or MUFRTI-NIMS: Command and General Staff
Elected and Appointed Officials	FEMA - IS 700 (NIMS an introduction) and either FEMA - IS 100 Introduction to Incident Command (ICS) or NFA - I 100 Introduction to ICS
Emergency Managers	FEMA - IS 800 National Response Plan (NRP), An Introduction (All state and local emergency managers or response personnel whose primary responsibility is emergency management must complete this training.)

IS100, IS200, IS700 and IS800 can be taken online at <http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslist.asp> at no cost. U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) funding may be used to conduct the ICS300 and ICS400.

Responders that have successfully completed the appropriate level of training for their position already meet the minimum recommended standard and do not need to attend these courses again. However, we recommend that all responders take the IS 700 Introduction to NIMS to enhance their understanding of NIMS as it relates to the inclusion of the federal response into the incident command system at the local level and state level.

The director, chief executive or chief of each response organization is responsible for compliance within their respective organization. The same chief executive will designate those members of his or her organization that require the mid-level supervisor or senior-level response manager training. Only staff identified that have a role in emergency or disaster response require NIMS training.

These courses are the baseline ICS standard for NIMS compliance and do not exempt responders from attending any discipline specific ICS/IMS courses determined necessary by his/her chain of command.

For detailed NIMS and ICS training guidance see http://www.fema.gov/nims/nims_training.shtm.

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